MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

Subj: DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO DETERMINE THAT SUPPLIES OR SERVICES ARE TO BE USED TO FACILITATE DEFENSE AGAINST OR RECOVERY FROM TERRORISM OR NUCLEAR, BIOLOGICAL, CHEMICAL OR RADIOLOGICAL ATTACK

Ref: (a) OASN memo dtd Mar 7 2003; Subj: Procurements for Defense Against or Recovery from Terrorism or Nuclear, Biological, Chemical or Radiological Attack; Delegation of Authority

This memorandum supersedes reference (a). Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2001-12 issued on January 24, 2003 implements Sections 852 through 856 and Section 858 of the Homeland Security Act (Public Law 107-296). These sections establish increased micropurchase and simplified acquisition thresholds and streamline acquisition procedures provided the head of the agency makes the subject determination.

In addition to implementing these sections of the Homeland Security Act, FAC 2001-12 applies the requirement for the head of the agency determination to the micropurchase and simplified acquisition thresholds established by the Temporary Emergency Procurement Authority to Facilitate the Defense Against Terrorism or Biological or Chemical Attack Act (Section 836 of Public Law 107-107).

The authority to make these determinations is delegated to the Heads of the Contracting Activities for both Acts.

Please ensure that cognizant contracting and purchase card personnel are aware of this authority.

[Signature]
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